

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The disclosed embodiments relate to the field of remote server management. More particularly, the disclosed embodiments relate to providing secure communications in the context of remote server management. In an exemplary embodiment of the invention, a client computer uses an established encrypted communication channel to request secret data from a managed server. The managed server provides the requested secret data, which is used by both the managed server and the client computer to encrypt communications across a second communications link.

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